

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Gathered in And Around Town By Our Resident And County Reporters.

Mrs. Geiger, of Bluefield, is visiting Mrs. T. A. Lynch.

Tazewell is going to have a new store. They say it will be a Racket store.

Mr. Ben Spindle, of Roanoke, is in town visiting relatives and taking in the fair.

There is very little sickness now in town, and those who are sick are all doing well.

Job work is pouring into the REPUBLICAN job office. Merit will tell. We do the work right.

The indications are that W. B. Spratt will have no opposition for the House of Delegates.

Miss Maggie Roberts, of Lynchburg Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. A. Ferguson at Tazewell College.

Hon. A. St. Clair informs us that his son, who has been very ill with typhoid fever, is now convalescing.

The Moss & Grever building is rapidly approaching completion, and will be a very handsome structure.

We are informed another general merchandise store will be opened in town about the 1st of November.

Owing to the pressure of getting off our daily paper the weekly REPUBLICAN comes out two days later this week.

Mrs. T. W. Ratliff has gone to Grundy, to look after business matters connected with the estate of her late husband.

The town authorities have cleaned up Main street nicely, and the court house green has also been thoroughly cleaned.

Rev. I. P. Martin, pastor of the Methodist church, will leave next Tuesday to attend Annual Conference, which meets at Bristol this year.

Miss Bessie Prince, of Bluefield, and Miss Janet Prince, of Huntington, W. Va., are visiting Miss Narcissa and Louise Pendleton this week.

A Christian Endeavor Society was organized at the Christian church on last Saturday night, with a membership of nineteen to start on.

The heavy frost last week did great damage to the corn where corn had not been cut, and the continued drouth is making pasturage short.

Mr. M. J. Haulins, who has been at Cedar Bluff, with the Virginia Folding Mattress Company is at home for a few days and to attend the Fair.

Prayer meeting are now being held at Tazewell College on Sunday night of each week and promise to be very interesting and instructive.

Mr. H. O. Thompson, who was nominated last Saturday, by the Democrats of Tazewell county for the House of Delegates, has declined the nomination.

Our farmer friends are becoming very seriously alarmed at the protracted drouth. If it continues much longer they will have to commence feeding their stock.

Tazewell College has already enrolled 127 students and they still continue to come in. A young gentleman by the name of Price came in last Friday from Leaksville, N. C.

Mrs. B. W. Payne, of Radford, Va., and Mrs. L. C. French, of Bluefield, W. Va., sisters of Mr. L. C. Wingo, are visiting that gentleman. Mrs. F. W. Payne, of Radford, a niece of Mr. Wingo, is also visiting him.

Messrs Chapman & Gillespie have moved into their new law offices next door to the masonic building, opposite their old office on the court house green. Their new offices are much more commodious and comfortable than their old one.

Col Thomas G. Totten who was so painfully injured by his horse falling with him about two weeks ago, is in his store again greeting his friends with his usual warmth. He has to walk with crutches as one of his feet is still sore and swollen.

Merchants and farmers in Tazewell county who have farm produce to dispose of would do well to write to Harris & Williams, Bluefield, W. Va., or call on them when in town. They are next door above city post office and prepared to handle all kinds of country produce.

J. N. Harman, Esq., and several other gentlemen announce their intention of attending the Republican convention at Lynchburg, on the 5th prox. Mr. Harman was appointed a delegate to the State convention (if one should be held) by the mass meeting at a court of the Republicans of Tazewell county.

About three hundred and fifty export cattle were shipped from this point Wednesday. They are part of the cattle sold by the pool to Nelson Morris, of Chicago, and will go to Liverpool. The cattle men are very anxious to get all their exports shipped as they are losing weight on account of the pastures being so dry and short.

In addition to a considerable amount of job work done in this office during the present week, the presses of the REPUBLICAN office will turn out this week four issues of the Daily REPUBLICAN, the regular weekly REPUBLICAN and two other weeklies that are printed on our press. What newspaper office in Virginia can equal this record in one week?

Mr. D. H. Peery and Dr. J. D. Carnahan, of Ogden, Utah, who had been visiting their old friends in Tazewell for several weeks, left for their homes in the far West last week. These gentlemen gave expression to great pleasure at being able once more to visit the scenes of their early life and mingle with friends and relatives who are dear to them, while their friends here were first delighted to meet them again and saddened by the parting. We hope to see them again in Tazewell before a great while.

Pure, rich blood feeds the nerves. That is why Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, cures nervousness.

FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Clinch Valley Agricultural and Breeders' Association.

FAIR WEATHER PREVAILED.

The Races Were First Class, There Being Full Entries of Fast Horses.

First Day of the Fair.

Race No. 1.

2:30 class—Best two in three, Purse \$80.

Entries—Starling, Samuel Workman, W. Va.; Laura D., Dyer Bros., Roanoke.

The first heat was won by Starling—2:30. The second heat was won by Starling—time 2:30 which gave Starling the race.

Race No. 2.

3:30 Class, Trotting or Pacing, best two in three. Purse \$80.00.

Entries—Ada Wilton, H. E. Camp Knoxvile; Valid, Dyer Bros., Roanoke; Rodex Welch, Roanoke; Lurid, W. W. Byars, Wytheville.

The first heat was won by Ada Wilton, time, 2:50 Rodex second, Valid third and Lurid fourth.

The second was won by Ada Wilton, time, 1:44, Valid second, Rodex third and Lurid fourth.

Race No. 3.

Run 1 mile dash.

Purse, \$70.00.

Entries—Mascot, W. P. Hall, S. C.; Miss Mordred, James Reedy, N. C.; Klondyke, W. W. Byars, Wytheville; Nina Bacon, 11 W. O'Keeffe, Tazewell.

The dash was won by Mascot time 1:19, with Miss Mordred second, Klondyke, third, Nina Bacon fourth.

This was a very fine race.

Races on Second Day.

FIRST RACE.

Trotters and Pacers.

Class 2:45, best 3 in 5, Purse, \$150.00.

Entries—Jack Cook, Dyer; Scott, Byars; Valid, Trayhen Dyer; Ventura, Camp, Henry Bowen, O'Keeffe.

The first heat was won by Ventura, time 2:54, Jack Cook 2nd, Scott 3rd, Valid, 4th, Henry Bowen 5th.

The second heat was won by Ventura, time, 2:57.

Jack Cook 3rd, Valid 3rd, Scott 4th, Henry Bowen 5th.

Third heat was won by Ventura—time 2:59.

Jack Cook 2nd, Scott 3rd, Henry Bowen 4th, Valid 5th.

SECOND RACE.

Running, 1 mile heats, best 2 in 3.

Entries—Ginger Ale, Lynchburg stables; Mordred, James Reedy; Merry Oaks, H. W. O'Keeffe; Broxton, W. W. Byars.

First heat won by Miss Mordred—time 5:23, Broxton 2nd, Merry Oaks 3rd, Ginger Ale, 4th.

Second heat was won by Miss Mordred time 5:2, Broxton 2nd, Ginger Ale 3rd, Merry Oaks 4th.

Races on Third Day.

2:26 class—Purse \$150.00.

Entries—Mary D., Governor Brownlow and Starling. Brownlow won the race in three straight heats—Time 2:31, 2:30 and 2:34, Mary D. second twice, Starling third twice second once.

NEXT RACE.

County Scrub Race, 1 mile heats 2 in 3.

Entries—Rock, Peel Harman; Nellie, Shade White; Sybil, J. T. Grever.

Won in straight heats by Nellie; Rock second, Sybil third.

NEXT RACE.

1 mile dash—Purse \$75.00.

Entries—Ginger Ale, Mascot—won by Mascot, time 1:50.

NEXT RACE.

Trot or pace.

2:35 Class—Purse \$150.00—Best 2 in 3.

Entries—Jack Cook, Ventura. The first heat was won by Ventura, time 2:45.

Second heat was won by Ventura, time, 2:47.

There was a tolerably large crowd on the grounds in the afternoon and several hundred persons on the grand stand.

We saw visitors here from Russell, Smyth and other counties, from Pocahontas, Bluefield and different points in West Va. In fact, if our own people would turn out in proportion to the visitors from other points the grounds would show a large gathering each day.

Last Day of the Fair.

The last day was more successful than any previous day, so far as the crowd was concerned. The races were good and the acrobatic performances of the Japanese Troupes splendid.

FIRST RACE.

Free to all.

Entries—Starling, Governor Brownlow, Mary D. The race was won in three straight heats by Starling, Governor Brownlow second, Mary D. third.

SECOND RACE.

Running—best 2 in 3.

Entries—Broxton, Lockwood. First heat won by Lockwood—time 5:4. Second heat by Broxton—time 5:5. Third heat by Lockwood time 5:1.

In the ladies riding contest the first prize was won by Miss Daisy Thompson and the second by Miss Betty Alexander.

In the married men's riding contest the prize was won by Mr. Frank Moss.

In the little boys riding contest the first prize was won by Berkeley Gillespie and the second by Lawrence Barnes.

In the County Scrub Race (no heat was

run but fraud was discovered and the race

In the bicycle race the medal was won by E. M. Lilly, one of the REPUBLICAN attaches.

was declared off.

There were other races but we did not get the results.

So ends the 5th annual meeting of the Clinch Valley Agricultural and Breeders' Association.

Tennis Tournament.

A tennis tournament came off Thursday morning on the court of Dr. R. B. Gillespie with the following players and results:

DOUBLES.

Zimmerman and Moore vs. Gillespie and O'Keeffe—1st set won by G. and O. Score 6 to 1, 2d set G. and O., 6 to 1, 3d G. and O., 6 to 5.

2d contest—Zimmerman and Moore vs. Spindle and Brittain—One set, won by Zimmerman and Moore. Score 6 to 2.

SINGLES:

O'Keeffe vs. Moore—2 sets, both won by O'Keeffe, with a score of 6 to 3.

Zimmerman vs. Brittain—1st set, 6 to 3, won by Brittain; 2d 6 to 3, won by Zimmerman; 3d won by Zimmerman, score 6 to 3.

While some of the sets were not close all the games were hotly contested and interesting. Quite a number of the fair sex encouraged the players by their presence.

Another Tennis Tournament.

On Friday, Oct. 1st, another tennis tournament came off on the court of Dr. R. B. Gillespie. The players were the same as in the Thursday tournament.

Four sets were played with following results:

1st set, Gillespie and O'Keeffe, 6 to 4.

2nd set, Z. & M., 6 to 3.

4th set, G. & O., 7 to 5.

The playing was very fine all the way through, much better than on the preceding day.

Episcopal Rectory.

The vestry of Stras Memorial church are now engaged in the building of a rectory on the adjoining lot to Mr. Geo. W. St. Clair, on Gildersleeve Street. The foundation is now completed and the balance of the building is to be erected. It will be a frame house, containing nine rooms with all modern improvements. We have been shown the plans that were prepared by Mr. Win. Pierce, architect, and are convinced from the design that the rectory will be handsome, comfortable and convenient. Barnett Bros. are the contractors, and the building will be completed by 1st of December.

Town Council Meets.

The town council had a called meeting yesterday morning mainly for the purpose of making a payment of \$2,000 to the contractors who are doing the work on the new water works. The payment was made by issuing warrants of the town for that amount, and the Bank of Clinch Valley cashed the warrants.

An order was also made directing valves to be placed on the 4 inch pipe on Main street by using which the water can be cut off from the 8 inch pipe. By this means the town can be supplied with water for domestic purposes when the water is cut off from the 8 inch pipes.

Knight Templar Work.

We are informed there will be some work done in Clinch Valley Commandery, K. T., on next Monday. There will be four candidates for the valiant and magnanimous order of Knighthood, and the occasion, no doubt, will be a very interesting one.

Tired, Nervous, Sleepless.

Men and women—low gratefully they write about Hood's Sarsaparilla. Once helpless and discouraged, having lost all faith in medicines, now in good health and "able to do my own work," because Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to enrich and purify the blood and make the weak strong—this is the experience of a host of people.

HOOD'S PILLS are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. Gentle, reliable, sure.

DOAK ITEMS.

R. M. Sparks, of Pounding Mill, was at our place one day last week.

G. W. Heuker and wife, of this place, were visiting friends and relatives near the court house this week.

Miss Lou Reedy, of Baptist Valley, was in Sinking Water neighborhood Thursday.

W. P. Payne, of Welch, W. Va., was at his store one day last week.

A. J. Beavers and S. Creed have gone to Peeryville, W. Va., this week on business, the latter is going to build a school house near that place.

The first last week did a great deal of damage in Sinking Water section.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, near this place, on the 23rd inst., Thomas Mitchell and Flora. Bandy, J. R. Sparks officiating. We wish the couples a long and peaceful life.

Mr. Chap Peery, of Cedar Bluff, was at Sinking Waters Saturday weighing some cattle.

Elder J. E. Linkous passed through this place Saturday en route for Bear Wallow, where he preaches Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. S. N. Laird, of Cedar Bluff, gave us a pleasant call last Saturday.

A good Democrat passed this place Saturday on his way to the convention at Tazewell. On being asked who they were going to nominate for Legislature said: "Oh! just anybody to beat Spratt." They may have trouble to find that man.

James Jackson, of Sayersville, preached a good sermon at Lockhart Chapel Sunday.

Miss Belle Allen, of Cedar Bluff, was visiting at Sinking Waters Saturday and Sunday.

The Tazewell Hills.

Eastward and westward trending far Along the bending skies, Their fluted peaks uplifted high, Six noble mountains rise; Below them are the ones for whom The heart with rapture thrills, Green—waving in the morning sun The lovely Tazewell hills.

Lush grasses hide their fertile steepes With spike and emerald glave, And yellow corn fields rustling free Their tasseled banners wave; Like music chimed by unseen bells The lapping, lapping rills Wind in and out among the dells And down the Tazewell hills.

Here labor hoards with honest hand The wealth of rain and sun, And plenty smiles o'er all the land, And exports weigh a ton; The grazier walks abroad at ease— With pride his bosom fills To see the mammoth thoroughbreds Agraze upon the hills.

Oh, land, by towering mountains bound, Thy rich, alluvial soil Has nourished heroes, glory-crowned, As well as those who toil; From fields by nighty poets sung, Where death his dew distills, Their dust was brought to sleep among The glorious Tazewell hills!

And spot, where beauty weaves her web O'er mead and swelling knoll, O'er jutting crag and mist-hung vale, While circling seasons roll, May thy sweet air and fountains pure Precede the doctors' pills, And all thy sons dwell happily Among the Tazewell hills.

F. T. W.

Tazewell Spirit.

Local pride is responsible for many good things. It prompts a people to go beyond the merely necessary and to devote themselves to the beautiful and artistic. It is even sometimes responsible for the accomplishment of the necessary. No town or county likes to be called slow. People do not like to be behind their neighbors in anything. Local pride, in its best sense, means a desire to be alive, up-to-date, aggressive. In private affairs the man who leads is the man who succeeds. The same principle holds good in public affairs. It is not enough that our pastures shall be as green, our soil as rich, our harvests as generous, our cattle as fine, as any others in the State—we should try to make them better. It is not enough that our roads should be passable, they should be useful. It is not enough that our schools should come up to the standards of the schools in which we were educated, children of the present should have the best schools in the history of the county. It is not enough that we should give them a smat-

tering of education on ill chosen subjects, we should cultivate a broader and more catholic spirit than in the past.

Local pride sometimes makes people narrow. People forget that there are other communities than theirs and that their way of doing things is not always best.

Tazewell county is a great county. It is barely possible that nature has done too much for it. The rugged, rock-ribbed hills of New England and the harsh winds that sweep over them have developed a character in the inhabitants that has become a synonym for energy, keenness and success. Our genial soil and kindly climate leave so little for our farmers to do in order to make a living that they do not even dream of what it is possible for them to do. They rightly think that their country is the best in the world, but apparently they mistakenly believe that no other people can teach them anything. Our people are too much disposed to be content with themselves and with each other.

We are not vitally interested in the progress of the world at large. We seem too much prone to forget that we ought not to live for ourselves. No country on earth has a people of more sturdy character, more mental strength or more moral worth than ours, but we are hardly alive to the possibilities that are ours, we ought to be teaching the rest of the world lessons in something.

There is one special thing upon which the future of our country materially, socially and educationally depends more than upon any other. It is the question of roads. Good roads would double the value of property in the county. They would give us a place among our sister counties which we can never attain without them. Socially we would be brighter and better if we could meet each other after an exhilarating ride or drive instead of after wearisome toil and in mental exhaustion.

Then, if we talked more of the great things, if we talked more of ourselves we would make ourselves more worthy of discussion. A little insinuation of the larger affairs to men would make us less content with the smallness of the purely local.

In some respects we are self-centered, in others we lack the foresight of common selfishness. "Faithful are the wounds of a friend."—Epsilon.

"My boy came home from school one day with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffering great pain," says Mr. E. J. Schall, with Meyer Bros. Drug Co., St. Louis, Mo. "I dressed the wound, and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely. All pain ceased, and in a remarkably short time it healed without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Jno. E. Jackson, druggist.

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